

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In the Application of: First Named Inventor: Kazuyuki Yokokawa Serial Number: 09/801,187 Filed: March 8, 2001 For: SPLITTABLE SHEET STRUCTURE	Customer No.: 63543 Group Art Unit: 1794 Confirmation No.: 4101 Examiner: Victor S. Chang Submitted via EFS-Web on <u>06/03/09</u>
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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION

Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action dated December 4, 2008 (the "Office Action"), having a shortened 3-month response period, and for which a 3-month extension of time and a Request for Continued Examination ("RCE") are filed herewith, so that the period of time for response runs to, and includes, June 4, 2009, please amend the above captioned application as set forth herein.

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Remarks/Arguments begin on page 16.